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10:00 – 13.00

Opening of the Meeting

1. Opening of the session by the President of the Eighth Meeting of States Parties (item 1 of the provisional agenda).

2. Opening remarks by the President of the Eighth Meeting of States Parties, the representative of Nicaragua, outlining expectations for the Meeting and giving an overview of the implementation work done over the twelve months since the Seventh Meeting of States Parties by Nicaragua.

3. The President first will invite a representative of the host nation, Switzerland, to address the meeting. Thereafter, in the spirit of partnership that has been the hallmark of the Meetings of States Parties to the Convention on Cluster Munitions; the President will invite representatives of the United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross and the Cluster Munition Coalition to address the plenary.

Procedural Issues

4. Adoption of the agenda (CCM/MSP/2018/1) and confirmation of the rules of procedure (CCM/MSP/2018/4) (items 2 and 3 of the provisional agenda)

5. Confirmation of the Secretary-General of the Meeting and election of vice-presidents (items 4 and 5 of the provisional agenda)

Organisation of Work

6. Introduction by the President of the draft documents and key draft decisions (item 6 of the provisional agenda)

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(a) 2018 Convention on Cluster Munitions (CCM) Progress Report monitoring progress on the implementation of the Dubrovnik Action Plan during the period 1 July 2017 to 30 June 2018 submitted by the Nicaraguan Presidency (CCM/MSP/2018/5)

(b) Draft guidelines on the submission of extension requests related to Article 3 of the Convention on Cluster Munitions submitted by Bosnia-Herzegovina (CCM/MSP/2018/WP.1)

(c) Draft guidelines on the submission of extension requests related to Article 4 of the Convention on Cluster Munitions submitted by Bosnia-Herzegovina (CCM/MSP/2018/WP.2)

(d) Proposal on a selection process for the Presidency of the Convention on Cluster Munitions submitted by Germany (CCM/MSP/2018/WP.3)

(e) Working paper on Declaration of Completion with Article 3 of the Convention on Cluster Munitions submitted by Croatia and Mozambique (CCM/MSP/2018/WP.4)

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (item 8 of the provisional agenda)

Universalization (item 7 (a) of the provisional agenda)

7. The President will invite the Coordinators on Universalization, France and Panama, to report on the status of progress made and challenges in universalization of the Convention.

8. States parties are encouraged to provide an update on the activities that they have undertaken to promote universal adherence to the Convention, for example, bilateral meetings, workshops, demarches, letters, advocacy missions and diplomatic notes.

9. Signatory States are invited to provide an update on their domestic process of ratification and deposit of instruments of ratification.

10. States not party are also invited to express their support for the Convention and provide updates on domestic processes in advance of accession.

11. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations working on the universalization of the Convention are invited to present their activities and aims for universalization.

12. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eighth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 2018 CCM Progress Report.

Storage and Stockpile Destruction (item 7 (b) of the provisional Agenda)

13. The President will invite the Coordinators on Storage and Stockpile Destruction, Croatia and Mozambique, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 3 of the Convention.

14. States parties with obligations under Article 3 are invited to provide progress in, share plans for and challenges to the safe and rapid destruction of cluster munitions.

15. Signatory States and States not party with stockpile of cluster munitions are invited to share relevant information regarding the number and types of stockpiles and of plans for, or obstacles to their destruction.

16. States are invited to provide their views on storage, stockpile destruction and retention. States that have chosen to retain cluster munitions under Article 3, paragraphs 6

and 7, are encouraged to provide updates on their numbers and types, how they have been used in the period under review, plans on their use and plans for their eventual destruction.

17. Other delegations are invited to share their views on the implementation of Article 3 paragraphs 6 to 8.

18. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 3 as well as their recommendations on how to maintain the momentum in stockpile destruction.

19. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eighth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 2018 CCM Progress Report.

20 The President will invite Bosnia-Herzegovina, Coordinator on the General Status and Operation of the Convention, to present draft guidelines on the submission of extension requests related to the implementation of Article 3 obligations.

15: 00 – 18:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention continued

Clearance and destruction of cluster munitions remnants and risk reduction education (item 7 (c) of the provisional agenda)

21. The President will invite the Coordinators on clearance and destruction of cluster munitions remnants and risk reduction education, Lao People's Democratic Republic and Netherlands, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 4 of the Convention.

22. States parties with obligations under Article 4 are encouraged to provide an update on their plans, priorities and progress towards clearance and risk reduction education. This could include efforts to identify as precisely as possible the location and size of all areas contaminated by cluster munition remnants as well as efforts or plans to clear or otherwise release such areas as soon as possible.

23. Signatory States and States not party contaminated by cluster munition remnants are invited to share information on the magnitude and structure of the contamination, their plans for addressing the contamination and for ensuring the safety of exposed populations.

24. States are invited to share their views on progress in and obstacles to clearance efforts and, in particular, are encouraged to share ideas and proposals on how to make survey and clearance efforts more effective and efficient.

25. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 4 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

26. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eighth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 2018 CCM Progress Report.

27. The President will invite Bosnia-Herzegovina, Coordinator on the General Status and Operation of the Convention, to present draft guidelines on the submission of extension requests related to the implementation of Article 4 obligations.

Victim Assistance (item 7 (d) of the provisional agenda)

28. The President will invite the Coordinators on Victims Assistance, Ireland and Italy, to report on the status of, progress achieved and the challenges in the implementation of Article 5 of the Convention

29. States parties with obligations under Article 5 are encouraged to provide an update on their efforts to provide age-and-gender-sensitive assistance, including medical care, rehabilitation and psychological support, as well as on efforts to ensure social and economic inclusion of victims. States Parties are encouraged in particular to include their views on how victim assistance could be better integrated into existing national health and social care systems.

30. Signatory States and States not party are invited to share their views on the implementation of Article 5.

31. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 5 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

32. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eighth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 2018 CCM Progress Report.

Tuesday, 4 September 2018

10:00 – 13:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention continued

Victim Assistance (item 7 (d) of the provisional agenda continued if necessary)

International Cooperation and Assistance (item 7 (e) of the provisional agenda)

33. The President will invite the Coordinators on International Cooperation and Assistance, Australia and Peru, to report on the status of, progress thus far and challenges in the implementation of Article 6 of the Convention.

34. States Parties seeking assistance to implement their obligations under the Convention are encouraged to provide an update of their plans and needs as well as on the measures they are taking to facilitate the provision of assistance by other States and to promote cooperation between States and other actors.

35. States in a position to provide assistance are encouraged to respond to the needs and gaps identified by affected States under the sub-items on stockpile destruction and retention, clearance and risk reduction, and victim assistance. Delegations are encouraged to provide information on how they envisage providing assistance.

36. States are invited to present their views on cooperation and assistance.

37. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to describe what they are doing to facilitate international cooperation and assistance, assistance they have been or able to provide, their views on the implementation of Article 6 as well as their recommendations on how such efforts can be sustainable, adequate and more effective and efficient.

38. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eighth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 2018 CCM Progress Report.

15:00 – 18:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention continued

Transparency Measures (item 7 (f) of the provisional agenda)

39. The President will invite the Coordinator on Transparency Measures, Zambia, to report on the status of, progress made thus far and challenges in the implementation of Article 7 of the Convention.

40. Under this sub- item States may wish to share their views on the reporting format or on the importance of transparency reporting. States may also wish to present transparency or reporting measures that they have already undertaken, or to provide information on any difficulties they may be encountering with respect to transparency reporting.

41. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 7.

42. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eighth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 2018 CCM Progress Report.

Compliance (item 7 (g) of the provisional agenda)

43. The Convention's Article 8 addresses facilitation and clarification of compliance. If any State party has a concern regarding compliance with the Convention by another State Party, that State party may submit a "Request for Clarification" to the Secretary-General of the United Nations.

44. States are invited to share their views on interpretation of provisions of the Convention.

45. Article 10 of the Convention deals with settlement of disputes. As it is not envisioned that there will be disputes among States parties at the Eighth Meeting of States Parties, discussions under this sub-item are expected to be brief.

National Implementation Measures (item 7 (h) of the provisional agenda)

46. The President will invite the Coordinator on National Implementation Measures, New Zealand, to report on the status of, progress made and the challenges in the implementation of Article 9 of the Convention.

47. States parties with obligations under Article 9 are encouraged to provide an update on specific implementation measures they have taken or plan to undertake under Article 9. In particular, States Parties are invited to share their experiences with national legislation concerning the Convention.

48. Signatory States and States not party are invited to provide an update on the implementation of Article 9.

49. The United Nations, the International Committee of the Red Cross, the Cluster Munition Coalition and other organizations are invited to present their views on the implementation of Article 9.

50. Questions that delegations may wish to consider in preparation for the Eighth Meeting of States Parties have been identified in the 2018 CCM Progress Report.

Wednesday, 5 September 2018

10:00 – 13:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention continued

Selection Process for future Convention Presidencies (item 7 (i) of the provisional agenda)

51. The President will invite Germany, one of the Coordinators on the General Status and Operation of the Convention, to present the proposal developed on the establishment of a process for the selection of the Convention's presidency to be adopted by the Meeting.

Implementation Support (item 7 (j) of the provisional agenda)

52. The President will invite the Director of the Implementation Support Unit to present the 2017 Annual Report and the budget and ISU work plan for 2019.

Other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention (item 7 (k) of the provisional agenda)

53. This is an open agenda item that provides an opportunity for delegations to raise any other matters that do not fall under the agenda items. It would be preferable that any delegation wishing to take the floor during this agenda item submits a request to the President in advance, asking for the floor and indicating the topic they wish to raise.

Financial Status of the Convention (item 8 of the Provisional Agenda)

54. Overview of the financial status of the Convention.

Preparations for the Ninth Meeting of States Parties and Second Review Conference (item 9 of the provisional agenda)

55. Election of H.E. Mr. Aliyar Lebbe Abdul Azeez, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Sri Lanka to the United Nations and other Organizations in Geneva as the President of the Ninth Meeting of States Parties (item 9 (a) of the provisional agenda)

56. Date, duration, venue and estimated cost for the organisation of the Ninth Meeting of States Parties (item 9 (b) of the provisional agenda)

57. Designation of H.E. Ms. Sabrina Dallafior Matter, Ambassador and Permanent Representative of Switzerland to the Conference on Disarmament as the President of the Second Review Conference scheduled for 2020 (item 9 (c) of the provisional agenda)

15:00 – 18:00

Review of the status and operation of the Convention and other matters important for achieving the aims of the Convention continued

Other matters (item 10 of the provisional agenda)

58. This is an open agenda item that provides an opportunity for delegations to raise any other matters that do not fall under the agenda items. It would be preferable that any delegation wishing to take the floor during this agenda item submits a request to the President in advance, asking for the floor and indicating the topic they wish to raise.

Consideration and adoption of the final document of the Meeting (item 11 of the provisional agenda)

59. The President will make a final presentation of the outcome document of the Eighth Meeting of States Parties. The President may call on the respective Coordinators to report

on the results of any consultations undertaken. This is an opportunity for those delegations wishing to make any final remarks relating to the outcome document to do so.

Closure of the Meeting (item 12 of the provisional agenda)

60. Under this item, the President will invite H.E. Mr. A. L. Abdul Azeez of Sri Lanka, President of the Ninth Meeting of States Parties to make remarks looking ahead to the work of States Parties and other delegations during the period up to the Ninth Meeting of States Parties. The President will then deliver the concluding remarks and close the meeting.